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Title: Recording Information With A Watermark Related To A

Prerecorded Medium Mark On An Information Carrier

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 05/04/00, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

(thrice amended) A system comprising:

a recorder, including:

means for reading from a record carrier, a medium mark representing a first bitpattern

means for generating a second bitpattern according to a predefined relationship to the first bitpattern;

encoder means for embedding a watermark representing the second bitpattern in user information to be recorded; and

means for writing the watermarked user information on the information carrier for storage;

the system further comprising:

a player including:

means for reproducing the recorded watermarked user information from the information carrier; and

means for verifying the relationship between the second bit pattern and the first bit pattern.

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